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# Vandalism Present, But Decreasing

Vandalism, a major problem in any large school, results annually in a vast amount of damage here at Shaker. Broken windows (about 25 last year), graffiti on the walls, theft of school and personal property - these common incidents add up to an indefinite amount of cash loss both to the individual student and the taxpayer every year. The rate of vandalism has dropped over the past two years, according to Mr. Caldwell, Assistant Principal; yet it remains a large problem

and has made necessary the incorporation of various alarm systems throughout the school building.

The greatest amount of damage due to vandalism here at Shaker can be found in the halls. This vandalism ranges all the way from mere defacement and the constant presence of graffiti to large scale theft, resulting in the loss of light switch plates, door checks, and even whole railings. The heating units also suffer, being both written upon

Benedict Expresses Views, Interests

Despite the fact that he studied English only two years and has been in the United States for less than three months, Benedict Foex, one of Shaker's AFS students for the 1975-1976 school year, is doing extremely well.

Not only is Benedict doing well academically (his course load consists of trigonometry, chemistry, criminology, Latin, and American Experience), but he is adjusting easily to the American way of life and finds it in many ways not very different from the lifestyle he knew so well in Switzerland.

Benedict, who is staying at the home of Ken and Alan Fox, came to the United States from the French-speaking canton of Geneva, Switzerland, last August. His family in Switzerland consists of his father, who is the chief justice of the canton, his mother, and older brother Nicolas, who is currently studying architecture at a university in Zurich.

When comparing the school curriculum at Shaker to that of his high school in Geneva, Benedict considers his work load here to be somewhat lighter than the four languages, math, geography, history, biology, gymnastics and music courses which he took last year at home. In Switzerland, there are three years of junior high school following elementary school, and four years of high school. However, one is given the option after graduation from junior high of continuing his education or finding a job and starting to work Approximately sixty percent of the students prefer to go on to high school, and it is this majority which, having made the decision, is intent on taking advantage of the educational possibilities. It is for this reason,

by Jane Birkhold are conducted on such an adult level. The students who attend are serious in the pursuit of their education and are sincere in their reasons for being there. Because of this cutting classes is not a major problem, and when and if it should occur, it is handled on the part of the teacher as merely a loss to the student. Thus, no questions are asked and, needless to say, no re-admit slips are required. Classes in specific subjects are not held everyday but on an average of two or three times weekly, and an individual is in a section with thirty to forty students with whom he is in all classes for the entire year.

School in Switzerland is in session every day but Thursday, Sunday, and Saturday afternoons, from 8 a.m. until noon, and 1:45 to 4:30. During the time alloted between noon and 1:45, it is customary for students to go home to join their families for the main meal of the day.

Skiing, naturally, plays an important role in one's social, and in some cases, school life in Switzerland. The schools set aside two weeks during the year in which all students go as a group into one of the many Swiss provinces for a skiing vacation.

Benedict is extremely interested in politics and is very musically inclined. Having played the violin for ten years, he has qualified for membership in the University Circle Youth Orchestra in Cleveland, sings in his church choir, and is continuing his violin lessons.

His fluency in his native French and his enthusiam for our language and our lifestyle in America and in Shaker Heights, is making Benedict's visit with us an interesting one, and we hope as enjoyable for him as it is proving to be for all of us.

and broken into. Shaker students are the daily cause of this vandalism whether it involves a heedless marking of a pen on a wall or the willful removal of a piece of school property. The cleanup of the walls and replacement of missing articles falls largely to the school custodians, who waste many hours refurbishing our halls when they might be completing other necessary jobs.

Another major type of vandalism in this school is locker thefts. Both hall and gym lockers are broken into, with any unknown amount of money lost each year in the form of textbooks, purses, clothing and other basic school supplies. The rate of locker theft, however, has also dropped in the last two years. This decrease is largely attributed to the switch from a short shaft lock to a long shaft one, which is now the only type the school sells. These locks are more difficult to break and cannot be easily snapped off by pressure from a crowbar or some other instrument of destruction. A description of any article reported stolen to the Main Office is dutifully kept on file; yet few things are recovered.

Other areas of the school also suffer damages from vandalism, such as the science department, which loses a great deal of equipment annually, and the library media center, which suffers a loss of expensive audiovisual equipment in addition to the defacement of books. Vandalism is and will remain a major problem at Shaker until students care enough to maintain our school as it should be.



Benedict Foex, from Geneva, Switzerland,

# French Club Plans Year's Activities

Undoubtedly, everyone has heard announcements that are sometimes quite hard to understand. Those announcements are about the French Club's meetings and activities. The French Club, which meets every other Tuesday, is sponsored by Mr. Warnement and Mr. Mackeigan. Years ago the French Club, which was headed by Mr. Mackeigan was very popular, having about 500 members. For a while there was a decline in interest by the student body, but in the past two years there has been a big upswing in the club's membership. The French Club president, Sharon Efroymson, has some

ideas that are not only educational and interesting, but also fun.

The purpose of this club is to enable one to better his conversation and understanding of the language and to train one's ears to the sounds, the meetings are conducted in French. This year the club would like to combine their talents with the German and Spanish Clubs. The three clubs are in the early stage of organizing an international day. This day, like last year's, would include projects done by students, entertainment, posters, food and also new and different exhibits. In order to spark interest of students at the junior

by Margie Holdstein high level there is a dinner planned at a French restaurant. An organization called La Maison Francaise of Cleveland has a worldwide membership with people from the United States, Canada, India, Africa and various other places. This club has films and dinners as well as student series, which the French Club is planning to use to their advantage. The French Club has many new and interesting ideas ready for action this year. All new members of any grade or level are welcome to join, so come and be a part of the club and have fun, while also improving your French.



Karen McCartney smiles after being crowned as Homecoming Queen.

#### Success Highlights Homecoming

by Lisa Mills

In spite of the rain - cold, dreary and intermittent - "Homecoming 1975" at Shaker Heights High School was a total success. The Homecoming events began with a parade, followed by a football game, and topped off by the crowning of the Homecoming Queen at the dance. In all respects, Shaker High seemed to come alive with a new burst of excitement and spirit!

Involvement and participation in the Homecoming parade doubled since last year. A number of people took an interest in supporting Shaker High. This interest was evident in the twenty decorated cars in the parade. They had been decorated to represent the Sharcs, the Peppers, the Cheerleaders, the Homecoming Court, the "Spirit of '76" and the "Freak Mobile". Although all of the cars were well-done, there could only be one first prize winner and one second prize winner. Receiving the first prize of twenty dollars were the Cheerleaders; the second prize of ten dollars went to Missy Reider for decorating Dave Schwartz' car in the "Spirit of '76". Also generating a touch of spirit and excitement in the parade were the Pepper Steppers and the Band, who met the parade at Lee Road and escorted the cars back to Shaker.

After the impressive parade

came Shaker's last home football game. The loyalty and encouragement of the fans were overwhelming. Throughout the game there was a constant flow of cheers. Everyone clustered together under their umbrellas in the freezing rain to cheer the Shaker Raiders' football team on to a twenty-six to ten victory over the Parma Redmen. Half-time was highlighted by the band's arrangement of favorite old tunes and the introduction of the five semi-finalists for Homecoming Queen: Sonali Bustamante, Sherry Crawley, Tawanami Kirby, Karen McCartney, and Leslie Seymour.

The peak of the entire Homecoming festival was the Homecoming dance. The atmosphere was delightful, the gym was exquisitely decorated and the semi-finalists were radiantly beautiful, when the moment everyone was waiting for came. At about ten after ten the 1975 Homecoming Queen was announced and presented with a dozen red roses. The surprised, yet overjoyed Queen, Karen McCartney, could only express her happiness by thanking everyone for being so kind and thoughtful.

Homecoming was quite a success, and everyone involved seemed to enjoy themselves. That's how it should be!

#### Drama Dept. To Present Marigolds

by Jim Freedman

"The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-In-the-Moon Marigolds" has been chosen as the Shaker Drama's fall production this marking Thomas year, Beckner's debut as director of dramatic productions at Shaker. Mr. Beckner is being assisted by Jane Joseph. Unlike most plays previously presented at the high school, this intense drama has a very small cast - five females. The ladies selected to perform are Laura Ross, Kay Kleinerman, Claudia Gold, Maggie Affelder, and Michelle Moskovitz. The show will be presented on November 21, and

As in all productions, crews are as important as the cast in preparing and presenting the play. Joseph Kocian is the technical director for the drama department this year, and Bev Cohn is the stage manager for this production, in charge of overseeing the work of all the crews. The construction crew, responsible for building the set, is headed by Al Kalish, and Debby Krejsa is head of the paints crew. Randall B. Shorr is in charge of the light crew, that sets up and

runs all stage lighting, and Patti Brown is head of the props crew. D.J. Sullivan is head of the sound crew, Bea Algeo is in charge of costumes, and Liz Wilkerson is the make up crew head. Publicity is being managed by Kent Berke, and working with him is Leonard Sax, who is responsible for news released and ticket sales for all of this year's productions.

A realistic set is being used to achieve full effect of the drama. The plot of "Marigolds" is relatively simple on the surface, revealing a strong love-hate relationship between a mother and her two daughters. However, as the action of the play progresses, the symbolic meaning of the play becomes evident, and is summarized in a speech by one of the daughters. The characters are all tragically human, and a feeling of empathy is unavoidable by the end of the show.

The new drama department is hard at work to present quality entertainment this year, and with the help of the student body and the entire community its efforts will not go unrewarded.

## Social Ills Provoke Violence

by Jeffrey London

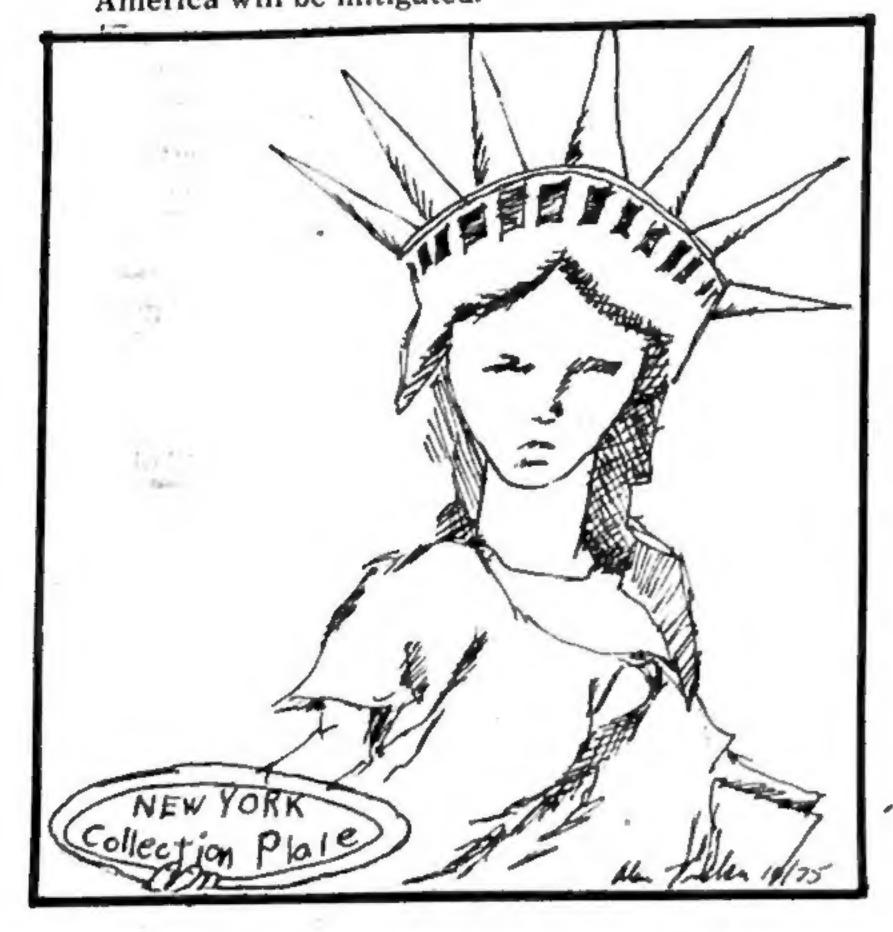
Violence has plagued mankind since the beginning of civilization. However, in the last decade, because of acts of violence at such locations as Watts and Kent State University, the question of violence has permeated the entire United States, thereby producing much disillusionment and fright. It appears that violence, rather than being a periodic dilemma which we have to endure, has saturated our nation. The question is often raised whether violence has reached its apex or is still on the upswing. By taking a view of the violence at Watts and at Kent State and assuming these two incidents to be representative of violence in the United States, I hope to respond to the above question.

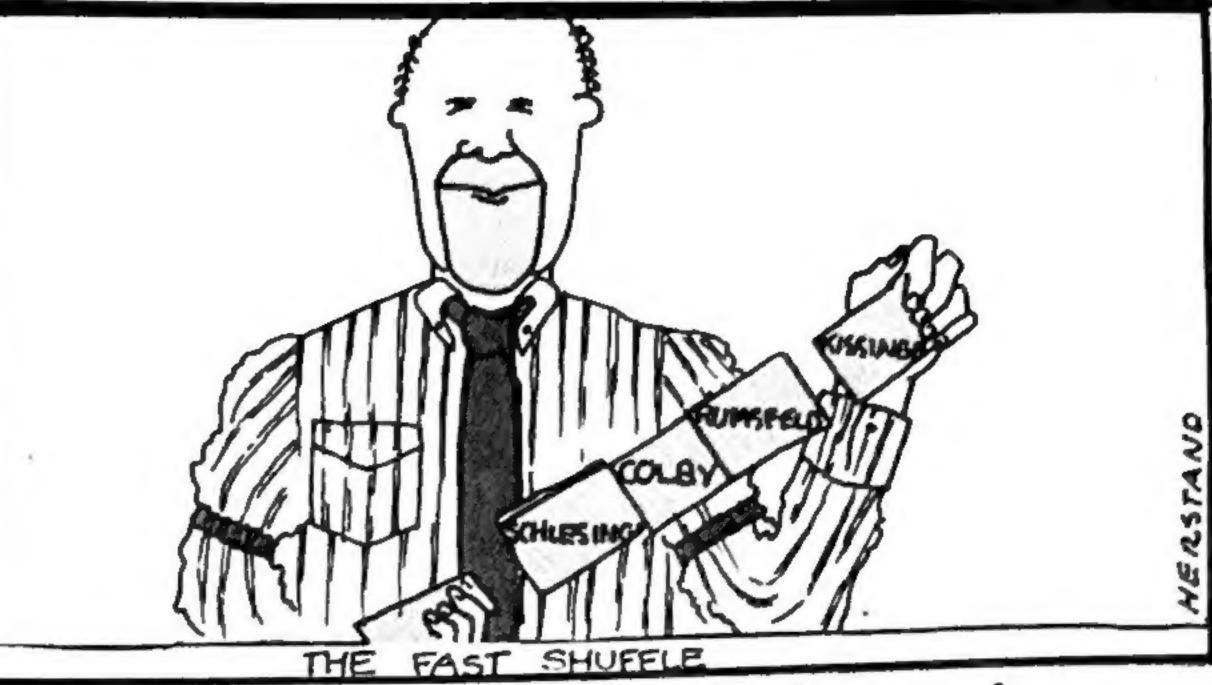
Socioligists have provided us with myriad reasons for the Watts riot: poverty, unemployment, racial humiliation, lack of black leadership, police brutality, a heat wave, criminal influence, and a lack of formal education. Two-thirds of the people in Watts do not have a high school education; one-eighth are illiterate; three-tenths of the inhabitants of this Los Angeles slum come from broken homes; and eighty-seven percent of their houses are of pre-World War II construction, many of them dilapidated.

On May 4, 1970, dissent against the U.S. venture into Cambodia suddenly coalesced at Kent State University into a nationwide student strike. Violent actions by the students resulted in Governor James Rhodes calling the National Guard to restore order. The troopers, finding themselves flanked by rock-throwing students, retreated, keeping their eyes on the students. Reaching the top of the Kent State Commons hill, the Guardsmen knelt on the ground, and seconds later staccato rifle fire transformed this once placid campus into an American tragedy.

Watts-1965; Kent State-1970; where in 1975? The many riots, skirmishes, and assassination attempts which have flooded our nation within the past decade are too numerous to elaborate. Psychologists claim that violence on television has had a deleterious effect on Americans, for ideas are often transmitted through the media. It appears if we try to base our judgements solely on the two episodes with which I have just dealt, that television has had little if any effect on these actions; rather, they were a reflection of the dissatisfaction within our country. These occurrences were purely acts of frustration which had peaked and not premediated outbursts.

Television does play an influential part in shaping the minds of American youth; however, violent actions are caused not only by television but also by the influence of peer groups. When the individual is able to control his actions to a greater degree, the amount of violence in the world will decrease. Violence in America is not reaching its culmination, nor is it just beginning, for violence has and always will plague mankind. We can only hope that by education and a more equal standard of living, violence in America will be mitigated.





Not Again, Hubert!

Writing The Making of the President: 1976: may turn out to be easier than Theodore White expected. The 1976 Presidential campaign, which, at one time, seemed likely to include exciting primary races and tense nominating conventions, now appears more likely to center around the all but forgotten heroes of past campaigns. In short, White will probably be narrating the actions of the same cast of characters that has dominated his previous works.

The list of 1976 political candidates includes men who were considered by the major parties for the national tickets as early as 1968: Ronald Regan, Gerald Ford, Eugene McCarthy and Wallace have all survived the seemingly dramatic political changes of the last eight years.

It is distressing, however, that after eight years of social and economic change in the nation and after many reforms within the Democratic party, the first choice for the Presidential nomination (excluding Senator Edward Kennedy, who insists he is not running, but whose lead in the Democratic preference poll is also distressing) of the greatest number of Democrats is Hubert Humphrey, The Happy Warrior. Humphrey's running of two unsuccessful Presidential campaigns should not be a reason for opposing his nomination, but the Senator's unrealistic economic thinking as well as his age (Humphrey will be 64 in 1976 and has had serious health problems over the last few years) should raise doubts about the sense of a Humphrey candidacy.

At present, Humphrey is not a candidate. The Senator claims that he will not make an active bid for the nomination, although he will accept a draft from a deadlocked convention. Humphrey's nomination, then, would probably not come as a result of the party's confidence in the Senator but rather as an apathetic reaction to the ten or so candidates who will be running in the primaries. Some of these candidates have shown political strength: Wallace has raised more money than any other candidate: Senator Birch Bayh appears to be the choice of the liberals in New York; and Governor Jimmy Carter is likely to win the most delegates in Iowa, where the party's first caucus will be held.

Until a Presidential candidate announces some sensible program for solving the nation's economic ills, no candidate can be expected to repeat George McGovern's surprising primary successes of 1972. Unfortunately, Humphrey, as an alternative to the other candidates, offers no more solutions than do the lesser-known contenders.

Humphrey believes that increased government spending will reduce unemployment and eventually ward off both recession and inflation. That might have been sound thinking in 1968, before the poor economic plans of the Nixon administration increased both unemployment and the national debt, further complicating the economic situation. What is needed now is not the simplistic conservation plans of Ford and Reagan, who are more concerned about gaining the support of right-wing Republicans than continuing social aid programs in this country, nor Senator Humphrey's obsolete economic philosophy. America needs a President who will discuss finances not in terms of what is politically appealing but in terms of what is sensible and just.

by Andrew Borowitz The elections of 1976 should result in some positive redirection of this nation's energies towards the solution of formidable problems. Furthermore, the choice of political candidates should remain the choice of the people. By giving the arbitrary nod to Hubert Humphrey, Democratic leaders would raise doubts in the minds of energetic party workers about the possibility of decentralized political power in the Democratic party. As Tom Wicker recently wrote, "Nothing, moreover, would more quickly split the Democratic party than for supporters of the 'new faces' to see the Humphrey phenomenon as just one more effort by old-line party leaders and labor bosses to hold on to power fairly lost to a new generation of Democrats."

# Salts Give Spice to Field Hockey

by Robert Milman

The SALTS were founded at the beginning of this school year by Jim Campbell and Jeff London. Since then the SALTS have grown to an organization of approximately twenty members. Each member has proven himself to be high-spirited and devoted. This fact insures the student body that the group is totally serious in its cause: to promote girls' field hockey at the high school.

A special recognition should go to the officers of the club: Presidents: James Campbell and Jeff London; Vice-president: Arnie Goldman; Band Director: John Russell. They have put numerous hours of work into making the SALTS a success. The leaders of the organization have, with the help of the rest of the group, established the SALTS as a working medium through which field hockey can now be more appreciated as the interesting sport that it is.

Because of their determination to make girls' sports more popular at Shaker, this jovial organization has brought excitement and merriment to the once tedious task of being a field

hockey fan.

I applaud the recent action of a group of young men who are dedicated to school spirit. These bright students have set up an organization known as the SALTS. The group participated at all home, and whenever possible away, girls' field hockey games. Led by its two dauntless leaders, seniors James Campbell and Jeffrey London, the SALTS enliven the onlookers with their

Shaker players as well. The SALTS' exhilarating cries were collected by three of their brighter members, seniors Jeff London, Andy Glassberg, and Dave Hoffman. These upperclassmen searched doggedly for many days to gather the most inspiriting howls of today and yesteryear.

numerous cheers, and pep up the

An interesting facet of the SALTS is that they have their own band which accompanies them at all events. The band is under the direction of sophomore John Russell, who is an accomplished member of the Shaker Band.

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## Critic's Born to Ruin **Bruce Springsteen** by Randy Shorr

Bruce Springsteen is an The fact that outrage. Springsteen is now considered the superstar of American rock music is a sad commentary on the American listening public. The success of "Born to Run", Springsteen's latest folly, is enough to make one believe that the current rock audience have played their music so loud for so long, that they no longer have any minds with which to direct their musical tastes, and thus choose their music according to whatever gets the biggest hype by the radio discjockies or the press.

If hype is, in fact, the way to be successful in rock music today, it is no wonder that Bruce Springsteen has achieved such popularity. He has appeared on the covers of two national magazines and has gotten an abundance of airplay on both AM and FM radio stations. One can only wonder how much money Columbia Records has poured into this lavish publicity scheme. But hype is definitely the word to describe this coverage because, like everything connected with Springsteen, it is nothing but pretention, claiming, among other things, that he is the

modern-day Bob Dylan. This laughable comment seems to be the crux of Springsteen's claim to replacement, b) Bob Dylan is not and c) if you like Bob Dylan, you worthwhile to say in his lyrics, Springsteen's lyrics are devoid of meaning or significance and are especially lacking in beauty.

The lyrics are a gem compared to the music, which is at best mediocre, and often is downright childish. The compositions are so simplistic that the only thing that could have saved them would have been to handle what little there was with a lot of class. This was done on only one cut off the entire album, and that was achieved only with the assistance of studio horn player, Randy Brecker. The familiar title cut epitomizes the ridiculous droning quality of Springsteen's music, while it represents his voice at one of its better moments.

# Six-Hour Day

by Mark Reynolds

the main advantage of the eight-

period day as greater flexibility

Three teachers interviewed did

not share the same overall

opinions of the faculty. American

Government teacher Jerry

Graham said that there had been

less cutting in his classes, but not

in his study halls. He went on to

say that not only is the per-

centage of students cutting study

halls very high, but that nothing

was apparently being done to

stop it. Graham felt that a series

of meetings, or some sort of

communication, between

students, parents, faculty and

administration should be

established in order to try to

correct the problems that still

exist. Social Studies Department

Chairman Martin Meshenberg

also said that the problems that

existed before the institution of

the eight-period day have not left,

and he suggested that Student

Council should become more

involved in these issues. English

teacher Gar Aikens noticed little

difference between Shaker before

and after the six-hour day.

Although he considers himself a

"self-admitted liberal," Aikens

feels that if students became

more responsible for their ac-

tions, a six-hour day as such

The only issue on which most

seem to agree is cutting; most

have acknowledged its decline,

but did not list the change to the

six-hour day as one of the main

reasons. Unfortunately, cutting

seems to be the only thing which

has improved to any degree in the

last year, and that problem is by

no means no longer with us. The

six-hour, eight-period day has not

solved any problems; if anything,

the problems have gotten worse

instead of better, and there may

even be more problems now than

before. If the six-hour day is to be

a fact of life for awhile, and it

appears that way, then it is up to

all of Shaker-students, faculty,

and administration-to arrive at

the problems and attack them,

rather than merely sit by and do

nothing.

would not be needed.

constructing schedules.

Shaker High has had the sixhour, eight-period day for approximately one-and-one-fourth years. The initial dissatisfaction which resulted from the change appears to have eased, and there are very few reminders of the previous modular format, although some argue that the dissatisfaction has merely changed into reluctant acceptance. The six-hour day has been in effect long enough to make fair judgements and conclusions regarding how it has

Is No Panacea

affected this school. The concept of a six-hour school day has been in the Ohio School Code since 1968, when a one-sentence standard which said that the school day should not be less than six hours long was written. This standard was not rigidly enforced until the spring of 1973, when a more concise and detailed standard-not law-was adopted. Although this was not a law per se, it carried the effect of law; failure to comply could result in loss of state aid.

The administrative heads of this school have all noticed improvement in various problems since the adoption of the eightperiod day. All alluded to a decline in cutting, but added that the decline may not necessarily be because of the new format. Principal Dr. Fritz Overs stated two reasons for the drop: one, the computerized attendance recordings begun this year; and two, more pressure and influence from parents on students. The four agreed that vandalism had also gone down, but again added that the new format may not be totally responsible. None of the four said that any alternatives to study halls were being considered outside of a possible student lounge. Onaway House Dean Robert Mohney said that the only options to study halls were the "guided learning experiences," which are being used by about 800 students. However, Mohney admitted that some of these activities consisted merely of going home to study instead of staying at school. All four cited

artistic worth, although a) Bob Dylan is still around, and therefore needs no modern-day all that wonderful to begin with, probably resent his being compared to Bruce Springsteen, for while Bob Dylan at least occasionally (once every three years or so) has something

Believe it or not, it gets worse throughout the album. Much worse. That brings out the only valid comparison between Springsteen and Bob Dylan: neither of them can sing worth a damn!

Bruce Springsteen has proven once and for all that rock listeners will buy anything that large record companies can package and promote. Perhaps that is all Columbia is out to prove. One couldn't have picked a better example of poor taste to make a joke out of American ausic.



Bruce Springsteen and cohorts hang out before making their most recent deposit.

#### AFS'er Discusses Japan by Leonard Sax

One of the more interesting members of Shaker's student body this year is Emiko Higashi, Foreign Exchange student from Japan. Japan, having a Westernbased economy co-existing with a strong Eastern heritage, must cope with many cultural conflicts unknown to Americans. In a recent discussion, Emiko elaborated on those conflicts and also talked about some similarities and differences between Japan's and America's modern societies.

Social: In general, Japanese social lifestyles are more conservative than America's. For instance, most Japanese children's parties are gatherings of family and relatives rather than friends and acquaintances, Children's parties usually serious affairs with little game-playing or living-it-up. Age

and experience, respected in Japan, are the prime factors in determining Japanese society, rather than youth as is the case in America. This sobering influence extends even to manners of courtship. In Japan, as in boy usually America, the the relationship; initiates

There is a degree of sexism in Japan as well. Political involvement is common with men of all ages; most Japanese, however, would register shock if a woman proselytized or even indulged heavily in political literature.

Cultural: Japan's cultural heritage manifests itself everywhere in Japan; the very trees would look distinctly Eastern to the Occidental eye. Though living symbols of Japan's past, e.g. the Emperor, are regarded as just that, symbols,

Japan's vital heritage has certainly not been disregarded by her youth. Musically, for instance, the teen-age of Japan listen equally to music of their heritage, citar music and others

less familiar to Americans, and to Western music. Emiko herself has been a serious student of classical piano for ten years, and gave, in fact, a commendable performance of Brahms' Rhapsody number 1. Eastern culture still is a strong and vibrant factor in Japanese culture, permeating literature, art, and music; superimposed on this framework is the force of Western civilization which Japan has accepted on a commerical level. Surprisingly enough, there seem to be few problems with this cultural schizophrenia; the reaction is much like that of American ethnic groups.

Political: China lies across a narrow strait of water from Japan. Though there are factions in Japan which favor a switch to Maoist communism the majority of the nation favors the current economical system. There is much interest and even approval for the reforms taking place in mainland China. On the other hand, there is little sympathy or backing for Russia in Japan. One possible explanation for this phenomenon is the lack of cultural ties between Russia and Japan. Japan views America with uncertainty and even askance; no one in Japan really understood Watergate. Although there was a wave of militancy against the United States in Japan a few years ago, most Japanese are now concerned only that Japan never fall under either the Russian or American wing.

sory glance at the fascinating field of social, political, and cultural comparison between the United States and Japan. Now is only now; it is engrossing to speculate on what will be going on between Japan and the United States when next there is an article on the Japanese Foreign

The above can only be a cur-Exchange in this newspaper.

# Emiko Higashi talks with friends as she relaxes

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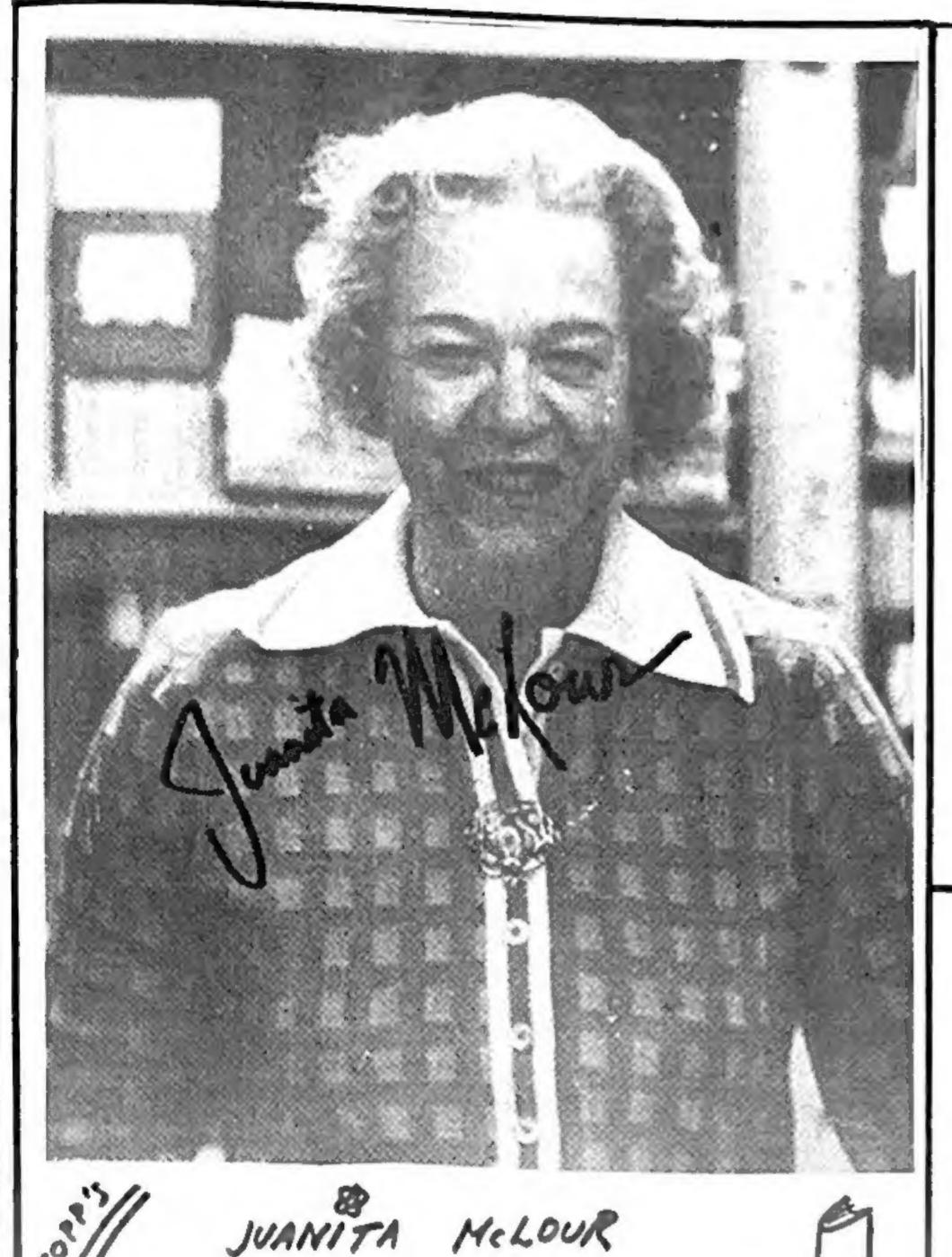
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1974	Shaker	19	54	67
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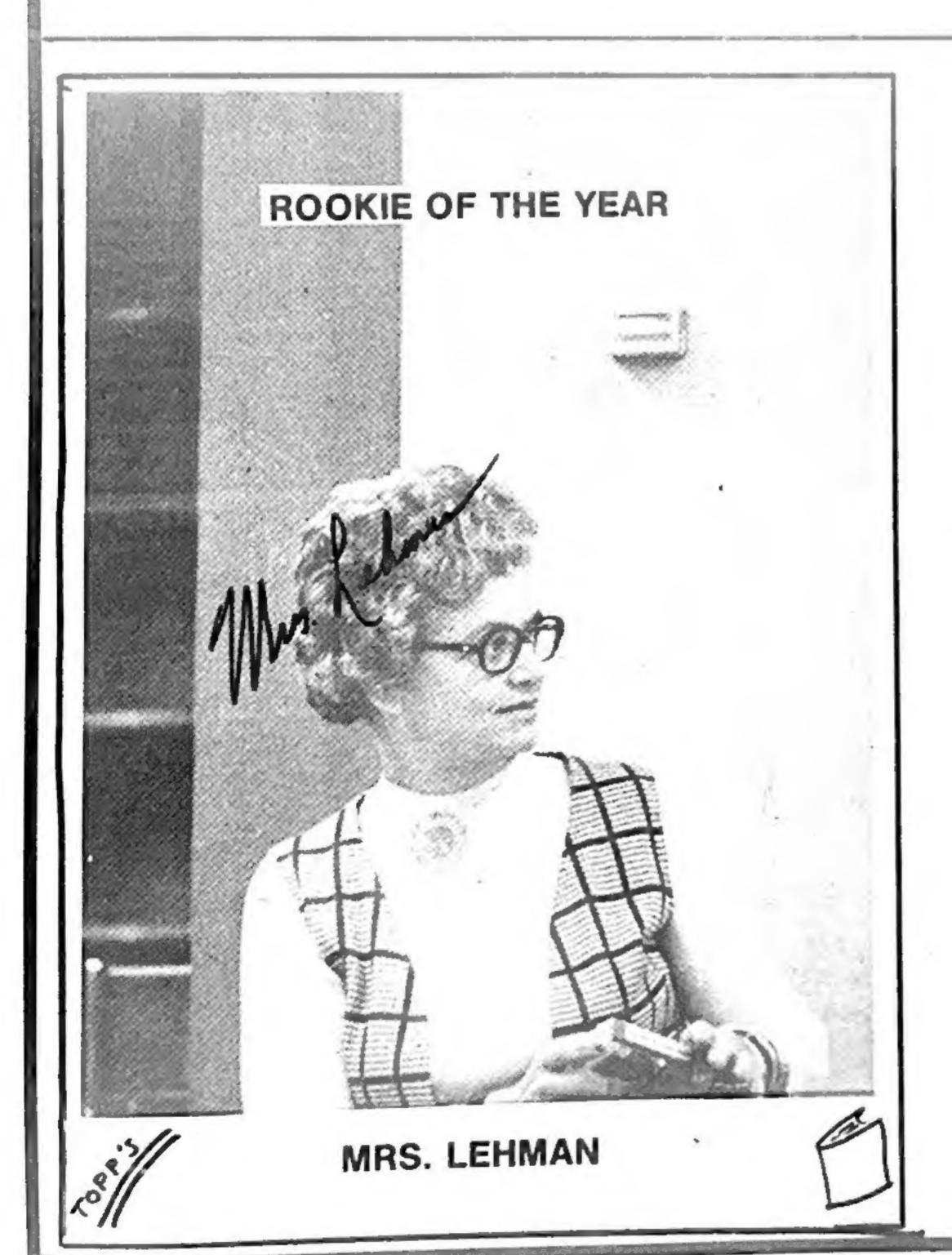
Mrs. Hoffman's statistics indicate that the "farm libraries" in Shaker do an excellent job in preparing librarians for the greater challenges that they face at Shaker. Mrs. Hoffman's library career began in her elementary school where she learned the fundamentals of book-shelving. In her senior year in high school, major league library scout Bill Binding took notice of her talents and signed her to a multi-year bonus packed contract. After two brief seasons "down on the farm", Mrs. Hoffman was given a tryout for the Varsity. As we all know, she passed the test with flying colors. Today, she holds the Shaker record for most students aided in the library during a single period.



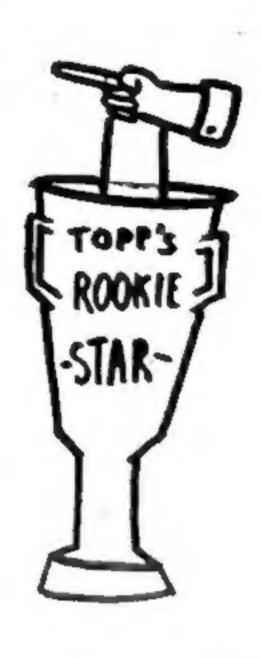
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1969 Shaker	1,254	11,256	324
1970 Shaker	3,451	12,479	426
1971 Shaker	4,500	12674	594
1972 Shaker	4,000	15,962	22,374
1973 Shaker	4,217	16.274	54.774
1974 Shaker	5,219	13,20/	102,302
1975 Shaker	5,900	23,476	114.714

Co-captain Miss McLour is known for her wry sense of humor and wit, but often over-shadowed by those talents are her fortes, the Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature, and Student Ejection. No one person has so dominated the record books in the Periodical Literature column. Miss McLour seems to have a "sixth sense", for she can select the proper volume of the Reader's Guide without even looking! She has also been known to open the book to the correct page on the first try, and her record of 63 consecutive "first tries" is one which will undoubtedly stand for a long, long time. Her other specialty, Student Ejection, is often misunderstood. Many students appear to be under the impression that Miss McLour throws students out hap-hazardly, but this is not true. Miss McLour is quite familiar with the innocent unsuspecting false appearances of habitual offender Jeff Nudleman. Miss McLour believes in nipping the problem before it occurs, which explains why Nudleman is ejected before he gets to sit down. It is this hardline policy on misbehavior that has enabled Miss McLour to hold the respect of all library goers.



Although Mrs. Lehman taught Home Economics at Woodbury last year, she has quickly learned the basics of library work. She is already able to assist a student in his search for research material, and she has demonstrated her ability to seperate non-working students. Recently, the National Library League awarded Mrs. Lehman the coveted Pentek Trophy, which each year is presented to the Rookie of the Year.



# Sleuth Story-Part Three

DeMot quickly realized there were two things he had to do: find out where Mrs. Renard had disappeared to, and pick up his fifty-dollar pen from the floor. After pocketing the pen, DeMot rushed through the panel through which Mrs. Renard had exited. It took no time for DeMot's acutely trained mind to sense that it would have been easier to open the panel first.

Brushing the splinters from his less than perfectly fitting clothes, DeMot sized up the situation. In the pitch blackness of the passageway, DeMot groped along. At first he made a right. Then a left. Then another left. Then a right. Then a left to the body, a right to the head and DeMot was out cold.

Fighting his way through the pain DeMot regained consciousness. He immediately became aware of a distinctive sound, sort of swishing sound. His eyes, growing accustomed to the dimly lit room, alarmed his body to the danger it was in. Overhead was a giant pendulum with a razor-sharp blade swinging slowly back and forth, coming ever closer to helping him lose those extra pounds that his present diet couldn't take off.

DeMot realized his plight. He had unwittingly walked into the wrong story. Seeking escape, DeMot's mind raced back to issue 31, 1947 of Dick Tracy in which Tracy was in a similar situation.

"Ah ha! That's it. I'll call Jou Jitzu who will use his karate expertise to sever the ropes," DeMot thought to himself in a heavy French accent.

Looking at his wrist, DeMot realized the futility of his plan. In his haste to follow Mrs. Renard through the panel, Demot lost his walkie-talkie wrist watch. The watch would have been of little use, however, because Jou Jitsu was long dead and DeMot had not hired anyone to wear the receiver end of the watch.

"Without my watch I'm doomed. Wait - I'll just flip ahead a few pages in the story...."

Instantly DeMot found himself speeding down a secluded country road heading toward the Renard mansion.

"With Mrs. Renard missing, the case hinges on that queer house of theirs, and particularly Mrs. Renard's chambers," DeMot mumbled to no one in particular. As DeMot reached the

front door there was an air of impending disaster. DeMot reached for the door knocker but it had mysteriously vanished. The door was slightly open and DeMot quietly let himself in.

DeMot was anxious to further inspect Mrs. Renard's quarters climbed and he the ever-widening spiral staircase. As he reached the top of the stairs DeMot once again heard the loud thumping sounds.

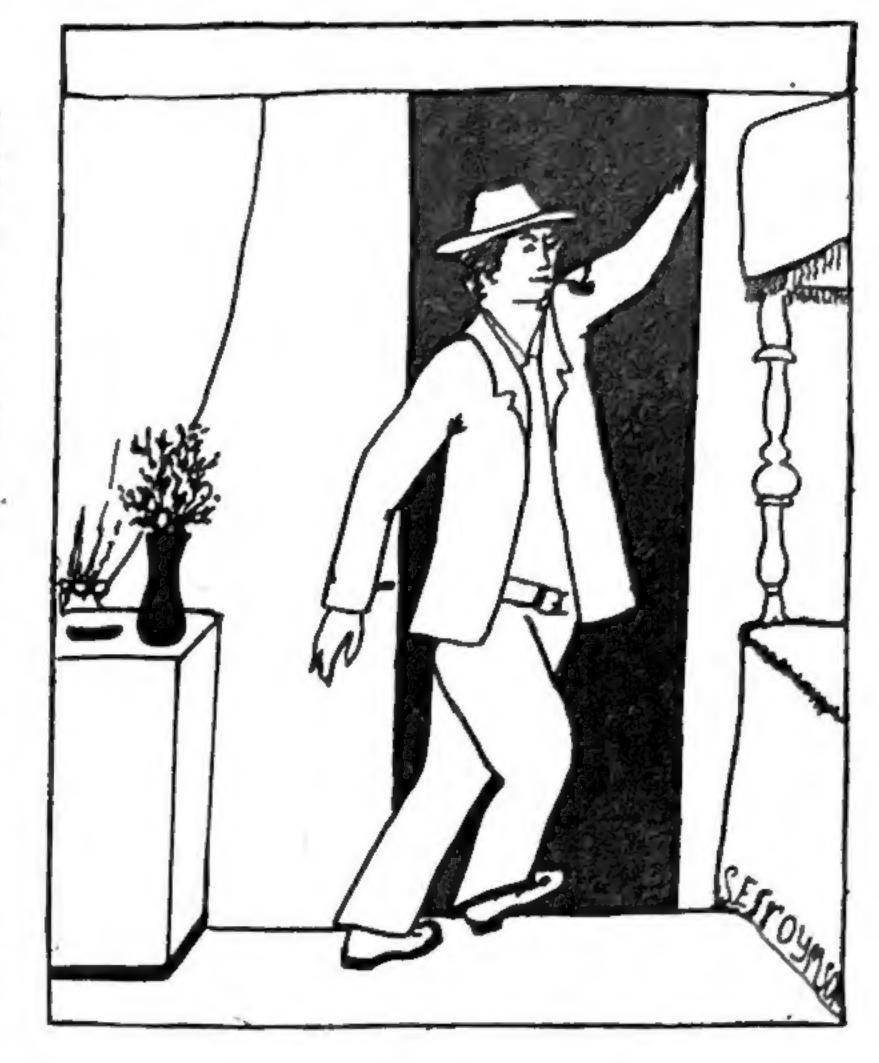
"Mrs. Renard must by lying. Mice could not make such loud noises. Maybe they are rats. I'll do them a favor and call an exterminator on my way home.

Demot's attention turned to Mrs. Renard's chambers. Inside he heard loud noises.

"I must not make this intruder aware that I am here. I will crouch next to the door to hear what is going on."

As DeMot leaned against the door his weight forced the door to slowly swing open, depositing DeMot on his back, staring up into the scarred face of a huge man he had never seen before.

Entries for the next chapter of the sleuth story should be delivered to room 100 by Friday, November 21.



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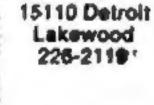
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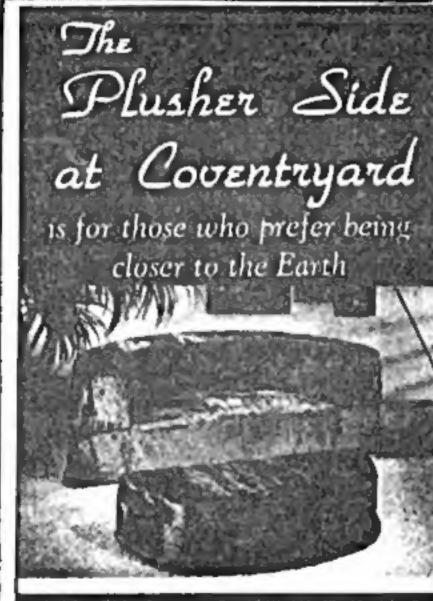
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#### Canoeists Seek Adventure For many people, canoe-

camping is an escape from the urban traffic jam, or a temporary release from suburban pressures. To others it is an experiment in living. To all, however, wilderness canoetouring can be a rewarding and enjoyable experience. Trips can range from easy five-mile, oneday jaunts to thousand-mile expeditions lasting eight weeks or more.

Many different routes are available for both the novice and experienced canoeist. Calm rivers, ranging in width from six feet to a mile, are generally the beginner's choice. Small ponds and reservoirs also provide opportunities to improve one's skills.

White-water canoeing requires split-second trained reflexes and thorough knowledge of water behavior, for the fates of canoe, gear and often personnel, lie in the hands of the bowmen and sternmen. Also, along with canoeable rapids come those that are not negotiable, around which canoes and gear must be portaged.

One might also try lake paddling, where waves might and occasionally do reach heights of four to six feet. Lake paddling is perhaps even more dangerous than white-water canoeing - it is much easier to flip, or "swamp" a canoe colder water decreases accident survival time, as hypothermia, or "exposure" is more likely to set in upon a wet victim; and distances to shore and safety are often as great as three or four miles, increasing rescue time in many emergency cases.

Ideally, a 17-foot-long standard canoe should carry two persons and three gear bags. Two of these should contain the personal belongings of the canoe partners (one for each) the third carrying community equipment and food. Thus, on portages, each partner carries his own bag in addition to either the community bag or the canoe. In this manner, successful portages can be made in one trip.

Because of the prospect of portages, proper packing techniques must be employed. In most cases a twenty-five pound personal pack will suffice for a one-week trip. Included, in order of importance, might be maps, survival and-or first aid kit, quality sleeping gear and tent. Extra clothes are nice, but not necessary. True, the above list of minimum items and upon return from the wilds you might resemble Tarzan's Cheetah in more respects than one. On portages sometimes as long as two or three miles, however, and while carrying a canoe, 25 pounds is often too heavy. Of course, if a trip's itinerary does not call for any portaging, packs may be somewhat, but not significantly heavier.

preparations are meaningless until one actually dips his paddle into a clear, unpolluted stream, away from noisy motorboats, car-towed camping trailers, and overcrowded, overused public campgrounds.

Imagine awakening without the assistance of an alarm clock.

Imagine drinking sparkling clean water right out of the river. Imagine the Northern Lights flashing across the sky in neverending bands of green, red, blue, orange and yellow, like spotlights beckoning the public to the grand opening of yet another department store. Imagine a steaming bowl of sweetened oatmeal, scalding hot coffee, crackling bacon and piles of pancakes quietly greeting you in the early morning, before the heavy mist has lifted from the serene river. Imagine the stars, so brilliant, so bright, that you reach out in vain hoping, wanting, to grasp but a handful of the uncountable number. Imagine a fresh, spirited wind in your face, blowing your hair back; or a sun so bright in a sky so clear that those who "never burn" are red within an hour. Imagine having fun in a warm rain, enjoying every moment of wetness, as the drops are so precious and clean it is pure delight just to sit and become wet. Then appears the sun again, suddently, renewed in its vigor by the brief respite, drying you out in a matter of minutes.

by Eric Russell

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#### Bartlett named to all-state team Booters Lose In Sectionals

The Shaker Raider soccer team went into the final two weeks of its season as the number one seed in East Cleveland. As tournament time came, however, Shaker was hit with a barrage of games and suffered many tough defeats.

Shaker met Brush in what proved to be an overmatch. Brush, Shaker's first foe in the state tournament, took a quick lead which Shaker could never overcome. The Arcs' continuous hustle and aggressive play was too much for a flat Shaker team. The final score was 4-0.

The number two seed of the west side, Rocky River, was next. Coach Wiehe made an adjustment by moving junior Bob Bartlett to center forward. This proved to be a wise switch as Shaker battled River to a scoreless first half. Neither team could get much going as a thunderstorm hit in the second half. With six minutes to play in the game, River scored on a disputed direct kick to give them a 1-0 victory. Besides Bartlett, another junior, Bob Farmer, played an excellent game in replacing the injured Keith Leonard.

Shaker got back on track by defeating Lake Catholic 3-0. This game also marked the return of senior Captain Les Kaciban. Kaciban made his presence felt as he scored all three of the goals. Along with Kaciban, Chris Fejes played a fine offensive game. Fejes' aggressive play could make him one of the area's outstanding players in a few years. The game was really not as close as the score indicated as Shaker hit the goalpost seven times.

The Raiders played the secondseeded Mentor team led by their All-State player Walter Schleutheuser. The field was caked with mud which proved to be a deciding factor for Mentor. Mentor scored as a corner kick landed in a puddle of a water in front of the goal. Ray Farmer, the Shaker goalie, could do nothing to stop the ball. Shaker came back with a score by junior, Pete Friedman. Mentor clinched the game on a penalty kick by Schleutheuser, to win 2-1.

The next day Shaker played Brush in the first game of the state tournament. Brush, who beat Shaker 4-0 a week before, this time found itself against a completely different Shaker team. The play of Farmer, Bartlett, and Cohen in the center had completely shut off the offense of seeded teams. This trio would find themselves highly tested in what proved to be the game of the year. Brush broke on top early as Shaker misplayed a ball in front of their own goal. Scoring champ Les Kaciban quickly tied the game up as he shot the ball fiercely past the Brush goalie. The score was 1-1 at the half.

In the second half Shaker scored as Kaciban forced a misplay by a Brush fullback which turned into a goal. With Shaker leading 2-1, it looked as if the Raiders had the game under control. This was not to be as Shaker was called for hands and Brush awarded a penalty kick. After a vehement protest, Shaker found itself tied and a man short. Thirty seconds later Kaciban also was thrown out for crashing into the Brush goalie. With 3:10 to go Shaker was two men down and without its top scorer. The defense was put to the test, as Brush applied constant pressure. For the whole fourth quarter, Shaker was able to ward off the attack of Brush. Overtime began with Brush picking up where it left off. Goalies Ray Farmer and John Stickley were bombarded with thirty-three shots. Fejes was left alone as Shaker's only forward. In a rare rush Shaker was able to bring the ball into Brush territory. Fejes was immediately fouled inside the goal area and was awarded a penalty kick. Bartlett then converted as Shaker took a 3-2 lead. Shaker held on to win as Brush was completely befuddled.

Shaker sought to advance in the state tournament against Hawken. Shaker had defeated them earlier in the season 2-1. In the first half Shaker seemed flat but the defense did not allow any goals. Hawken scored early in the second half in what proved to be the winning goal as Hawken upset Shaker's bid in the state tournament. Shaker ended the season by losing to W.R.A. 2-0.

The list of the soccer team's individual accomplishments is great: Bartlett made first-team all-Division and all-state, Kaciban and Fejes made secondteam all-Division and Neil Gandal, Cohen, Farmer and Stickley made honorable mention on the all-Division team. That is a successful end to a very successful season.



Raider booter Chris Fejes fights for control of the ball in a recent soccer victory.

# Haskell's View

by Tom Haskell

Congratulations to the girls' volleyball team which ended its season tied for second place in the Lake Erie League with a 7-2 record. They lost their first league match of the season before winning seven straight and losing their last league match. They were seeded first in the sectional tournament that took place at Euclid two weeks ago. By now, they might be in the state tournament. The nine players that make up the varsity team are Sue Adelson, Vicki Deal, Jamie Dumas, Anita Kelly, Pam Merchant, Marci Nance, Laurie Seidman, Patty Taylor and Edi Thompson. It is truly incredible to me that with the lack of participation of girls in girls' athletics both the volleyball and field hockey teams were able to have such fine seasons.

The Shaker JV soccer team ended a very successful season with a 1 to 0 loss over WRA. The junior booters finished with an 10-3 record, outscoring their opponents 29 to 11.

# Harriers' Heroics Hailed

The Harriers traveled to Woodland Hills for an interleague contest against the Benedictine Bengals. Individual honors went to senior Perry Johnson who ran a blistering 10:04 (only two quick seconds slower than the existing course record of 10:02 over two miles of bumpy terrain. Following close behind him was Paul Abrahms in second; then came Geoff Mearns in fourth, Dan Abrahms in fifth, and Steve Bryne in sixth. In the team tally, the Raiders demolished the Bengals 17 to 40.

In their final double-dual meet of the season the Shaker Seven ran at Forest Hills against the always surprising Shaw and the state powerhouse of Lakewood. The winner of the race was Bill McGrath of Lakewood and Mearns was first for the Raiders in fourth. P. Abrahms was seventh, D. Abrahms was ninth, Bryne tenth and Johnson twelfth. The final score was a 17 to 42 loss to Lakewood and a shutout vic-

tory, 15 to 45, against Shaw. The Sectional Meet was held on a cold and wet morning at Highland Golf Course. The first and second place teams would qualify for the District Meet in Akron along with four top individuals. The overall winner of the race was Lyle Braund of Brush. First for Shaker was P. Abrahms in eleventh, then Mearns in twelfth. D. Abrahms in

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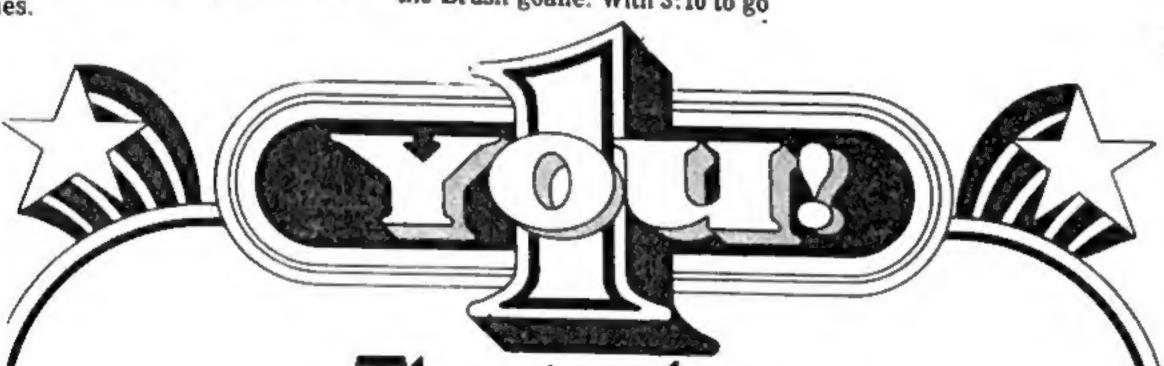
eighteenth, Johnson in twentysecond, and Bryne in thirtieth for a team total of 93. This point total put the Harriers in a tie for second with Brush, but the Raiders were officially judged third, which would not qualify them for District, as the result of a new rule. The rule states that when there is a tie after totaling up the score; to break the tie you add up only the first four finishers. The only Shaker man to qualify for District was P. Abrahms, and at that meet he finished a disappointing fourtieth although with a very good time.

The Lake Erie League Meet, hosted this year by Valley Forge, was held at scenic Wallace Lake in Berea. In the Varsity race the Raiders, led by Mearns and P. Abrahms who finished eighth and ninth respectively, were third with a total of 77 points. In the Open race co-captain Bruce Higley got off to an excellent start and was up with the leaders until the % mile mark when he twisted his leg on a tree root and fell, unable to complete the race. Showing great promise for the future was sophomore Bob Murphy who ran a blistering 11:15 over the two-mile jaunt.

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# Improving Gridders Win Three Straight

The Shaker Red Raider football team looks as if it is destined for second place. The Raiders routed Berea 27-7, nipped Midpark 17-13 and clobbered Parma 26-10 to up their record to 7-2 overall and 6-1 in the Lake Erie League. Lakewood, however, is undefeated in the LEL and will probably end up that way.

It was pouring rain against Berea and despite the slippery conditions of the artificial turf at Finnie Stadium, Ernie Emory had an unbelievable game running. The first time Shaker had the ball, they drove all the way down the field and scored on a 20-yard run by Emory. Doug Bercu booted through the extra point and the score was 7-0. Later in the first quarter with the Raiders on their own eleven-yard line, Emory burst up the middle and outraced all of Berea's secondary for an 89-yard run and a 14-0 score. In the second quarter, Emory went in from eight yards out, Bercu made his third extra point of the game, and the score at the half was 21-0 Shaker.

With the game apparently in the bag, the Raiders played sluggishly in the third quarter. Fortunately, Berea's offense was far from overpowering, and the third quarter ended 21-0. The Braves scored early in the fourth quarter, however, and at least Emory got a little scared that the game would get close. To make sure it didn't get close, Emory made a brilliant 45-yard run to ice the game for Shaker.

Emory and the rest of the Raiders' running backs did an excellent job on the slippery artificial surface. Emory had 182 yards in nine carries for an incredible 20-yard average. The rest of the Shaker runners combined had 110 yards. Because of the wet conditions, Shaker only attempted three passes and didn't complete any.

The Shaker defense was also excellent. It only allowed seven yards rushing. Most of the yards that Berea gained in this game were on a 45-yard pass that set up the only touchdown for the Braves.

Playing at Finnie Stadium again against Midpark, the

Raiders got off to another quick start. After the opening kickoff, Shaker moved 50 yards all on the ground, but couldn't score a touchdown and had to settle for a 23-yard field goal by Bercu. Then early in the second quarter Shaker recovered a Midpark fumble on the Meteors' 32-yard line, and four plays later Emory scored from four yards out to up the score to 10-0. With time running out in the half, Shaker had the ball on their own 25. After gaining 27 yards on six running plays, David Schwartz uncorked a bomb to Emory complete for 37 yards to the Midpark 11. Two plays later Emory scored once again, and the score at halftime was 17-0

With a seemingly-comfortable lead, Shaker played a terrible second half. The first time Midpark had the ball, they marched 60 yards to cut the lead to 17-7. Shaker's defense stiffened up, however, and held the Meteors at bay for the rest of the third quarter and most of the fourth quarter. In the late stages of the fourth quarter, Midpark marched 70 yards for a score to cut the lead to 17-13. Midpark then tried an onsides kick, but Shaker recovered, and the game looked as if it was pretty well wrapped up. Schwartz, however, tried a quarterback-keeper and fumbled the ball. Midpark recovered on Shaker's 42-yard line and suddenly the game was in jeopardy. Luckily, Shaker's defense rose to the task, and the game ended without Midpark scoring again.

Shaker's offense did pretty well in this game, gaining 236 yards led by Emory's 93 yards in 18 carries. The defense as usual was tough holding Midpark to 140 total yards, although 117 of those yards were in the second half. Defense end Pete Lewis was the defensive star of the game, sacking the Midpark quarterback three or four times and intercepting a pass.

The Parma game was a little different from the Berea and Midpark games although the result was the same - a Raider victory. Before a disappointing homecoming crowd on a rainy

by Tom Haskell day, Shaker started off badly as Parma marched down the field with ease to take a 7-0 lead. Shaker came back, however, and roared 68 yards on 12 plays, capped by Emory's one-yard plunge, to tie the game. The first quarter ended 7-7.

The first time Parma had the ball in the second, they again marched down the field and booted a 27-yard field goal to put them ahead 10-7. A few series later, highlighted by some excellent running by Schwartz, Shaker tied the game on a 23-yard field goal by Bercu. Parma fumbled the ensuing kickoff, but the officials gave the ball to Parma on a very controversial call. Schwartz, however, made up fer this call by intercepting a Parma pass on first down and going 33 yards down the sidelines for a score. Bercu split the uprights on the extra point, and Shaker was ahead to stay 17-10.

In the third quarter, neither team threatened, but at the beginning of the fourth quarter, Parma was punting from their own 24 yard line when the snap from the center was high and the Redmen punter had to fall on the ball in the endzone for a safety to put Shaker ahead 19-10. Parma kicked off after the safety, and Shaker rambled 53 yards on eight plays capped by a 24-yard touchdown strike by Schwartz to Emory. Bercu made the extra point, and the game ended 26-10.

The Raider offense was good again, compiling 240 yards. Emory once again had a super game, running 18 times for 98 yards and catching that 24-yard touchdown pass. He now has scored 11 touchdowns this year and is second in the LEL in scoring. The defense held Parma to 130 yards.

Although Shaker will end up only in second place, the Raiders should be proud of their record. They weren't supposed to be a very good team this year, and they started off the season living up to their predictions. They improved tremendously during the season and are now a topflight team. It is unfortunate that they didn't get to face Lakewood so they could show the Cleveland area that they are a good team.



An unidentified JV sticker passes the ball to Patty White in an attempt to score.

# Stickers Celebrate Close of Season

by Constance Appleby III

The field hockey season is over. The sticks have been cleaned and stacked, cleats polished and stored in closet corners, and kilts washed, pressed and tucked away till the 1976 season. The team reluctantly comes indoors leaving behind the crisp, fall, hockey-filled hours spent from endline to endline.

The varsity's final record was a satisfying 5-3-2 while the J.V. finished impressively with a 6-2-1 record. In the second half of the season the varsity beat Heights, Mentor, and Hawken permitting no goals by the opposition. The J.V. played particularly well, winning four out of their last five games.

At the end of the season the varsity entered a tournament with eleven other teams. Though the first-round game with H.B. resulted in a tie, Shaker was victorious since the time spent at their opponent's goal exceeded H.B.'s. Shaker suffered a

disappointing loss in the semifinals against Hudson.

In retrospect the season has been a good one. The players are grateful to the coaches, Linda Betley and Mary Ellen Leuty, for their patience and enthusiastic instruction. Shaker's hewly formed field hockey supporters, the Salts, have also been energetic throughout the season. The team has greatly appreciated their spirit and hopes it is indicative of a trend towards a spectator interest in women's sports.

The seven sturdy, and sentimental seniors sadly say so long to stick-swinging. The seven are: Captain Leslie Pruitt, Robin Booth, Betty Bray, Kathy Martin, Nancy Seidman, Patty Watts, and Liz Wilkerson. They leave behind a core of varsityexperienced players and many promising J.V.'s to fill out next year's varsity line-up, whom they wish well in the '76 season.

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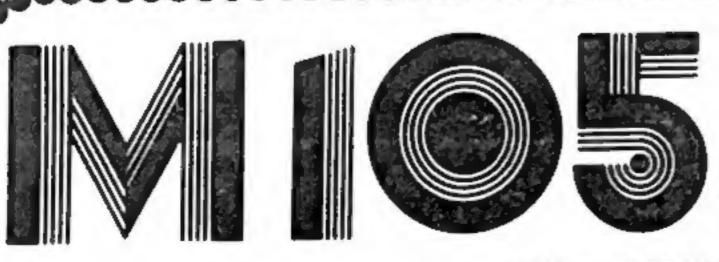
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